Director Approval of a phase is allowed when the project scope has not changed significantly AND TIB funds have not increased more than 15 percent since application.

| Design Phase   |
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| Sign the TIB Design Phase Agreement forms and return one original to the TIB office.  Fill out and return Project Status Report to the TIB office.   |
| Value Engineering Study  |
| A Value Engineering (VE) Study is required on all projects where the total cost exceeds \$2 million. VE studies should be completed at the 30% design stage.  Notify the TIB staff to have information sheets sent to you.  To request a waiver from the VE study requirement, submit a VE Assessment Report prior to 30% design completion. VE Assessment Report Forms are included in the Local Agency Guidelines (LAG) Manual. Attach a total cost breakdown for the project. The Agency will be notified in writing on the outcome of the VE study waiver request.   |
| Construction Phase   |
| <ul> <li>Contracts cannot be advertised until TIB has approved the construction phase.</li> <li>When design plans are complete and the project is ready to be advertised, submit one completed construction prospectus and required attachments to TIB for approval.</li> <li>For Board approval, submit the prospectus by the twentieth day of the month preceding the month in which project authorization is requested.</li> <li>Projects eligible for Director Approval may be submitted when the project is ready to begin the construction phase.</li> <li>A construction sign showing all funding partners, including TIB, and corresponding funding amounts is required.</li> <li>After approval, a construction phase approval letter is sent to the agency.</li> </ul> |
| Bid Opening  |
| After bids are opened but <b>prior</b> to awarding the contract, submit a TIB Updated Cost Estimate (UCE) reflecting the low bid. Include the bid tabs. A bid opening UCE can be obtained through your TIB project engineer.  TIB must give approval to award before the agency can award the contract.  |
| Contract Completion  |
| After the final costs are determined, submit an Updated Cost Estimate (UCE) reflecting the final project costs. Attach a summary of final quantities. A contract completion UCE can be obtained through your TIB project engineer.  Submit a Final Request for Payment with two signatures.  |
| Project Audit  |
| TIB audits the project after the final payment is made. The agency may be contacted during the audit phase.  |